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SAM WRIGHT WILL WEAR STRIPES.  
He Gets Six Years in the Penitentiary for Burglary.

Sam Wright, the negro who broke into G. L. Davidson's residence on Fourth avenue n.e. a few weeks ago, and frightened the occupants, among them being Mrs. Davidson, who was very sick at the time, was tried before Judge Grattan yesterday and given six years in the penitentiary.

Sam was brought into court and the indictment read, to which he pleaded not guilty, and the examination of witnesses began.

The jury was composed as follows: B. H. Franklin, C. R. Roberts, A. B. Cook, T. F. Lambert, Henry Houser, A. B. Woolridge, J. H. Bradley, J. W. Greenwood, Edward Lind, N. Chapman, L. Obermyer, and W. H. Henderson. Capt. Berkeley defended the prisoner.

The evidence was about the same as presented before the magistrate. Capt. Berkeley argued that it was a case of mistaken identity, and that the prisoner was not in the house at all, but the jury were out but a few minutes when they brought in their verdict.

Capt. Berkeley moved to set aside the verdict as contrary to law and evidence, which was overruled by the court. A bill of exceptions was then filed and the prisoner remanded to jail. It is not likely that he will get a new trial.

Whiskey and Blood Flow Freely.  
About 11 o'clock last night Charles L. Askins and James Myles, two young white men, followed a stranger to Pot Licker Flats and provoked a difficulty with him to their sorrow. They were under the influence of liquor and their bloody clothes at the station house, where Officer Eubank landed them, showed that they had tackled the wrong man. Whether he used his fists or a rock, he did the job in true pugilistic style.

### LANIER KILLED NAT NEWSON.

William Bunn Saw the Fatal Blow.  
When Lanier's Counsel Asked for Bail, the State Produced Bunn as a New Witness, Who told a Story that lifts the Veil of Mystery from the Whole Affair—Judge Grattan Denies Bail.

There is no longer a mystery about the killing of Nat Newson on the 7th of last April. Everybody has believed that William Lanier did it, but no witnesses could be found who would swear to that effect.

Thursday the jury failed to agree and were discharged. Last evening Mr. Randolph made a motion before Judge Grattan for bail, and Mr. Smith objected, saying he had newly discovered evidence. The testimony was then introduced, and proved to be a disclosure that lifted the veil of secrecy from the affair.

Mr. Smith called William Bunn, a dark mulatto with a tragic air, who testified that he was at Lanier's house at the time of the killing.

He gave a graphic description of the whole affair. Starting with how Nat Newson fired his pistol into the floor, the witness went on and described the scene which followed when William Lanier came in with a bed slat and drove everybody from the house.

Bunn went out at the back door and saw a crowd congregated near the corner of the adjoining house. He went up to them. They were talking about the firing of the pistol. Just then Nat came up and some one spoke to him about it. Lanier was on the front porch and when he heard Nat's name called, he stepped down off the porch and saw him. He accosted Nat about shooting in his house and at the same time dealt him a blow on the head after Nat had turned to walk away.

Newson staggered and fell backward on his head. Just then Bob Jeffreys came up and said, "Lord, if somebody isn't killed this man a'ready."

All who witnessed the affair went into the house. Ten minutes after some one came in and said that the man was dying that had been knocked in the head.

Lanier at once took up a lamp and accompanied by Clint Pegram went out to the spot where Nat fell, witness following. Nat was not there, but they found him seated against a bank at the rear end of the house, and several persons bending over him. He had been carried there. He was unable to speak. They all came back in the house, and the dance was begun again.

Bunn met Lanier and Clint Pegram next morning. Lanier remarked, "Boys, they may have me up for this, but don't hurt me."

Bunn said he was a stranger in the city, having come from Suffolk some time last winter. He knew but few people at the dance but called over several names of previous witnesses who witnessed the affair and told nothing.

He had no desire to appear in the case and held himself aloof. Bob Jeffreys came to him a few days ago and said they were trying to get him in the difficulty again, and he (Bunn) had to tell all he knew. He agreed that before an innocent man should suffer he would do so. Jeffreys then told the commonwealth's attorney, who had him summoned.

Mr. Randolph's strong cross-questioning did not make Bunn vary his story in least. He was beyond a doubt the smartest negro who ever testified in the court, and used no little amusement, notwithstanding the surprise. He had said there was but one blow struck.

Mr. Randolph again asked him how many blows were struck. "Two," replied Bunn. "Ab, you have found another," said Mr. Randolph, taking it down.

"Yes, sir; two blows. Lanier struck Nat and Nat struck the ground," said the witness, amid a roar of laughter.

Mr. Randolph then introduced Clint Pegram and John Lester in rebuttal. They had told Mr. Randolph that Bunn made the remark in a barber shop Friday night that Jeffreys came to him and asked him to swear that Lanier had struck Newson. But when put on the stand both witnesses made a different statement, and the rebuttal was a failure. Judge Grattan denied bail.

Assaulted and Robbed.  
Jan Posack, a Hungarian who cannot speak English, was assaulted last night in a vacant lot on Railroad avenue by four negroes and robbed of 30 cents, all the money he had. Posack had been drinking and in the struggle one of his arms was badly sprained. Councilman Huff's sympathetic heart was touched by the unfortunate cries of pain and he hastily administered a small dose of morphine and summoned Dr. Fry. The negroes escaped and Posack was taken to the station house to be cared for.

A Long Watch Rewarded.  
For some time officers have been on the lookout for parties who make a practice of shooting off pistols in East Roanoke and Peach and Honey. Last night Officers Schank and Austin were in the vicinity of the latter place, and hearing the report of a pistol and seeing the flash of the powder, jumped into a hack and gave chase. They overhauled a party of young men, and finding a revolver of the person of A. P. Lankford escorted him to the station house.

Arthur Stapleton Married.  
Arthur Stapleton, of the Roanoke Machine Works, was married in New Castle yesterday morning to Miss Ollie Goode. The bride and groom drove to the city in a buggy, and arrived here without mishap, but within a few yards of home collided with a wagon and pulled the shafts from the vehicle. The happy couple received the congratulations of their many friends last night at W. Ter Peirson's, where they are stopping.

### THE MACHINE WORKS.

What is Going on in the Different Departments.

The Roanoke Machine Works is the greatest industry in operation in Roanoke to-day. Notwithstanding the fact that business has been slack there since last November, it has kept hundreds of men in employment, and has been one of the mainstays of the city during the recent financial crisis.

Everybody is constantly inquiring when the Machine Works will begin to run a full force of hands. The employers themselves are interested inquirers, but no one knows before hand, except the head officials, what these works are going to do. It has come from good authority, as already published in THE TIMES, that the present indications were good for a speedy brightening up of work in all the departments.

Since last winter the shops have been running a slim force, owing to the smith shop disaster and other unavoidable matters. The men have been kept in employment mostly with repair work, of which there has been a great deal. A few hundred coal cars were also built and a lot of flats. But with the recent order from the Norfolk and Western for 350 coal cars and about twenty-five cabin cars, the men employed there seem more encouraged and look for better times.

At present there is a great quantity of repair work being done in order to clear the shops and yards for the new work. The erecting and boiler shops are full of engines, which are being overhauled, and all the men are busy.

The machine shop, A. Sauter, foreman, is the busiest department in the whole works. Mr. Sauter is now working 150 men, and every machine in his department is running. A large number of car axles are being turned and placed in the wheels, which are being bored. This is exceedingly heavy work and requires a good number of men to handle the machinery.

In the smith shop business is picking up very rapidly, and more fires are running than since last year. The foundry is making a big lot of wheels for repair and new work. This department does not run on Saturday, but works ten hours the other five days of the week.

Down in the car building department business looks pretty lively. Mr. Ehrhart is just finishing up twenty-five box cars, preparatory to beginning work on the thirty-ton coal hoppers which are being turned out in the planing mill.

John Welz, foreman of the passenger shop, always has plenty of work. If there is nothing else on hand the company generally runs a lot of old coaches in the shop to be overhauled. When they are turned out they look like palace cars. This department has also a large quantity of furniture and other equipments to build for the offices and depots along the entire line of the road, which usually keeps several men in constant employment. At present several coaches are being repaired and overhauled, and considerable engine work is being done.

There is a good stock of lumber in the yards, and it is continually coming in for the new cars.

The appearance of the shops is decidedly neat and trim, especially about the offices of the Messrs. Ehrhart and Welz, where some of the finest flower beds and prettiest landscape grading in the city may be seen.

The engine to the large turntable at the car shops broke down a few days ago, and is now propelled by four colored men, who with long levers at either end turn the immense table with an engine and two cars.

The work on the new engine will begin this week in the machine shop. A portion of the work has already been turned out in the smith shop and foundry.

As a general thing the indications for a speedy revival of work is better than ever, and in the course of thirty days the shops may be expected to be running to their fullest capacity.

The Band Appreciated.  
John Keeley, leader of the Roanoke Machine Works Band, has received a letter from John T. Loving, secretary of the Virginia World's Fair convention committee, dated at Pulaski, in which he pays a high compliment to the band and thanks them on behalf of the citizens of Pulaski for the splendid music they made and the excellent deportment of the members of the band while in that city. He extends to them a cordial invitation to come again.

Programme for the Squadron of Evolution  
WASHINGTON, July 13.—[Special]—The programme of exercises for the squadron of evolution, in conjunction with the naval militia celebration during next week at Fisher's Island, has been agreed on between Admiral Walker and the State authorities. The exercises will take place in New York harbor and at Fisher's Island, and they will include large gun practice exercises, a sham battle, boat races, dress parade, and numerous other events. The programme arranged will begin Tuesday, July 21, and will continue until Friday, July 25.

The McCoy's at It Again.  
CATTLETURB, Ky., July 18.—[Special]—A bloody fight took place on Blackberry creek, Logan county, W. Va., yesterday between two of the famous McCoy crowd and George Roberts. The three, in connection with several others, were drinking and a row was started which resulted in Roberts receiving sixty-seven buck shot and a ball from a Winchester rifle in his body. His slayer, Tom McCoy, gave himself up. He claims to have acted in self-defense.

President Harrison Kept Indoors.  
CAPE MAY, N. J., July 19.—[Special]—A heavy rain and wind storm all day kept the president and family indoors until this evening, when they were out watching the full tide surge against the bluff at the foot of Cape avenue.

### NEWS BY CABLE FROM ABROAD.

Belief That England Has Joined the Triple Alliance.

Report That France Has Offered to Co-operate With Russia in the Seizure of Constantinople Discredited—Strong Combination Formed to Get Possession of That City—Pope Leo Prostrated by a Serious Illness—Terrible Railroad Wreck at Liverpool.

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LONDON, July 18.—[Special]—A well informed Constantinople correspondent telegraphs this afternoon that at the Palace of Yildiz, and amongst the leading Turkish officials, there has been a decided reaction against the acceptance of the report emanating from Berlin that France approached Russia on the subject of a coalition against England, and has offered to co-operate with Russia in the seizure of Constantinople and the formation of a new Turkish state in Asia, embracing Egypt under Franco-Russian protection. The comments of the German papers on the visit of Emperor William to Lord Salisbury's residence, together with the fact that Germany has for years been grafting German officers in every department of the Ottoman Empire, have raised a strong suspicion in the minds of many of the leading Turkish statesmen that the alleged Franco-Russian programme is undoubtedly an Anglo-German arrangement with Germany at Constantinople and England in Egypt.

The great German strategist, Count Von Moltke, just previous to his death, said that the Eastern question would have to be settled at the gates of Constantinople, and it is a well known fact that in the latter city that the first power that gets a few men of war up the Dardanelles can compel the Sultan to sign any treaty desired.

The extraordinary exertions of the German Emperor to win popular favor in England, together with the fact that it would be impossible for Lord Salisbury to postpone the general election more than another year, when Mr. Gladstone will undoubtedly come into power, are pointed out as indicating a desire on the part of Emperor William to precipitate matters while he can rely on the support of the British fleet. It is also learned that Germany had several expert German engineers, who speak the Russian language fluently, traveling through Russia, and that these officers have reported to the German Emperor that the Russian army, as well as every other branch of the Russian administration, are rotten, and that if France relies on Russia in a future war with Germany she relies upon a broken reed.

A strong feeling prevails in diplomatic circles at Constantinople that England has joined the Triple Alliance, or that a written agreement has been entered into by England binding Great Britain to co-operate with the Central European powers.

POPE LEO III.

ROME, July 18.—[Special]—Rome was no less startled than the rest of the world to learn that His Holiness, Pope Leo, had on Thursday been seized with a serious illness. The announcement of the fact, late as it was, came unaccompanied by any particulars as to the nature of the malady which had so suddenly and apparently so completely prostrated the Holy Father. All that is known is the fact that the illness of the aged pontiff was of such a nature as to cause a panic in the Vatican and the sending in hot haste for Dr. Caccarelli, the distinguished Italian specialist.

The attendants about the Palace could be induced to say nothing more than has already been made known, and that is that Dr. Caccarelli had been in attendance and that the Holy Father was now better.

FRIGHTFUL RAILROAD DISASTER.

LIVERPOOL, July 18.—[Special]—A terrible accident occurred this morning along the line of the Manchester Ship Canal. A train passing along the railroad, running near the canal, fell over the latter's embankment near this city, killing eleven men who were working under the heading. In addition to the men killed many of the workmen were injured.

COLLISION AT SEA.

LONDON, July 18.—[Special]—The German steamer Dresden, from Bremen for Baltimore, with eight hundred emigrants on board, collided with the British brig Annie Harris, off Start Point at 12:45 o'clock this morning. The Annie Harris sank immediately before assistance could be given and four of her crew were drowned. The captain and mate were saved. An examination of the steamer showed that she had sustained no damage sufficient to prevent her from proceeding. The Dresden placed the survivors of the Annie Harris on board a fishing smack.

KOCH'S LYMPH BARRED OUT.

LONDON, July 18.—[Special]—The medical board of the province of Hanover have prohibited the use of Koch's lymph in hospitals under their jurisdiction. The efficiency of the lymph in private practice, in many cases, is not questioned by the board, but they do not regard it as fitted for miscellaneous hospital administration.

RELIEVING DISTRESS AMONG RUSSIAN REFUGEES.

LONDON, July 18.—[Special]—The English Hebrew authorities in London have taken steps to relieve the great distress among the Russian refugees in Palestine. The dangers of famine are so keenly appreciated that the Russian Jewish community have ordered the immediate shipment of food sufficient to keep the unfortunate immigrants alive until they themselves can reap a harvest from the land.

Thomas Crystal, aged 111 years, the oldest man in Ohio, died yesterday at the infirmary in Ironton.

### LYNCHED BY A MOB.

Frank Dyce Taken From Jail and Hanged.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., July 18.—[Special]—At 1 o'clock this morning fifty unknown men entered the jail at Spencer, Ind., and lynched Frank Dyce, who was waiting trial for the murder of Chaney. They hanged him to the cell door. The mob securely bound and gagged the sheriff and admonished him him to be quiet if he valued his life. The prisoner was asked if he had anything to say but he was too terror-stricken to speak coherently. The whole affair was managed so cleverly that the nearest residents to the jail did not know that anything unusual was going on. The mob was under the command of a tall, well-built man, who uttered his commands in a whisper and every act in the terrible tragedy was performed with the regularity of clock work.

GREEN GOODS SWINDLERS.

The Postoffice Department Freezing Them Out.

WASHINGTON, July 18.—[Special]—The Postoffice Department, through the late chief inspector, Mr. Rathbone, who was recently appointed fourth assistant postmaster has been waging war against what is known as the green goods swindlers. This crowd of sharks reside in New York, the principal one being Ed. Parmelee, who is well known in police circles.

The war has been waged so vigorously against them that they have abandoned the mails and recently issued special instructions to their patrons, in which they state that the United States authorities, with a view of suppressing the business, have enacted a very stringent law, making it a felony and subject to a heavy fine and imprisonment for eighteen months for any person caught using the mails for the purpose of buying these goods. The special instructions inform the patrons that communications sent through the mails will not be received, and notify the senders to transmit money and letters through the express companies.

GENERAL RAUM'S PLANS.

Orders to Expedite the 350,000 Original Cases on File.

CHICAGO, July 18.—A local news bureau quotes Pension Commissioner Raum as talking in this wise to the local pension agent at Chicago:

"Affairs have been going altogether too slowly in the Pension Department," he is put down as saying, "and I am going to hurry through and dump 350,000 original cases upon the various pension agencies of the country before the year is out. There is no sense in letting these cases hang on, and I see no reason why, with the big force of clerks at my command, we should not dispose of these cases at once. Then when they are disposed of, I can get rid of a lot of those clerks I have there; perhaps we can do the work with half the force after we dispose of the original cases."

Gen. Raum was quite enthusiastic of his new scheme, and said he had already given orders in accordance with his plan.

CHILDREN'S REVENGE.

Two Sons Murder a Saloon Keeper for Selling Their Parents Liquor.

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, July 18.—[Special]—The report of a horrible murder at a little mining station on the Southern has just reached here. Last winter an old couple named Eysman, while drunk, set fire to their cabin and were burned. The liquor had been sold to them by Saloonist O'Donnell, in violation of a request of two sons of Eysman. The sons resolved on revenge and while O'Donnell was stooping drawing beer the two brothers attacked him. One struck him on the neck with an iron bar. The head was almost severed from the body and death was almost instantaneous. The Eysmans are under arrest.

Bloody Fight in the Creek Nation.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., July 18.—[Special]—News was received this evening of a bloody encounter near Fisher, in the Creek Nation. Partisans of Chief Pipeche and Wesley Smith, candidates for Principal Chief, got into a dispute yesterday during which weapons of all kinds were freely used and as a result four persons were fatally injured.

TELEGRAPHIC FLASHES.

The First National Bank of Palatka, Fla., suspended Friday, owing to a heavy run and its inability to obtain temporary loans in New York. The liabilities are about \$200,000.

The State legislature of Georgia has passed a bill disqualifying drunken doctors from practicing.

Wm. Daniels, who fought a prize fight at Crystal Falls, Mich., Wednesday night, was arrested at Rhineland, Wis., together with his two backers yesterday for murder, on the strength of a telegram received from Crystal Falls. It is supposed his opponent died from the effects of the fight.

The militia is camped just outside of Brierville, Tenn., the recent scene of trouble with the miners over the employment of convicts. The surrounding mountains swarm with armed strikers, and should a combined attack be made the soldiers would have no possible chance to escape annihilation.

Three hundred miners of the McLean County Coal Company of Bloomington, Ill., who struck last Thursday, have returned to work, their demand for higher wages being conceded.

Arthur Adams, while riding horseback at Elan, Wis., was struck by an electric car and instantly killed.

### KILLED BY A REJECTED LOVER.

A Dastardly Crime at Hanover, N. H.

Christie Warden, a Beautiful Young Lady, Dragged into the Bushes and Killed. The Author of the Crime Had Been Rejected by Her—A Reward Offered for His Capture.

HANOVER, N. H., July 18.—[Special]—As Miss Christie Warden, accompanied by her mother, her sister Fannie and Louise Goodell, were returning on foot to their home, located one mile from the village, at a late hour last night, Frank Almy jumped into the road in front of them and seizing Christie by the arm said, "I want you." The mother and sister attempted to defend her, when Almy fired at them but missed.

They ran for assistance and Almy dragged his victim into the bushes and shot her twice through the head, one shot tearing out her left eye, killing her instantly. Almy has fled. Miss Warden was a beautiful and most estimable young woman about 25 years old, a graduate of the State normal school, and a popular teacher. Almy was a former employee of her father and his attention to Miss Christie had been repulsed. She was the daughter of Andrew Warden, a wealthy farmer and a leading citizen. Sheriff Foster is sending out searching parties in all directions. The father of the murdered girl offers a reward of \$500 for the capture of the murderer.

The murder caused the greatest excitement in the town, and business is practically suspended to-day. No trace of the murderer has yet been found, and large numbers of armed men, among them many Dartmouth professors, are scouring the country. Almy came here about a year ago, claiming that Savannah, Ga., was his home.

An additional force of men was called out this afternoon by the tolling of the college bell for the purpose of extending the search. The lectures in the Medical College have been suspended and many of the students have joined in the search for the murderer. Up to a late hour this evening no very promising clues were discovered.

Frank Osmer, who lives on the fair ground at White River Junction, says that he was awakened by a man answering Almy's description, who was much fatigued and who anxiously inquired the way out of the fair grounds inclosure. An additional \$500 reward has been offered by the town of Hanover for Almy's capture. An examination shows that one bullet entered the girl's brain and the other severed her spinal cord. Her funeral will take place on Monday.

Cause of the Explosion on the Jane Mosely.

NORFOLK, Va., July 18.—[Special]—Local Steamboat Inspectors Sullivan and Milligan have made a report to Supervising Inspector Oast in regard to the explosion of the steamer Jane Mosely of the Inland and Seaboard Company's line to Washington on the 13th instant, in which they say:

"We find that the boilers were under 95 pounds more pressure than allowed at the last inspection at the time of the explosion. Therefore we hereby suspend Engineer James P. Brady for sixty days for carrying an excess of steam above that allowed and also suspend Engineer C. Bunnell for thirty days for neglect of duty in failing to bring to the attention of the owners the necessity of an intermediate inspection." There was one life lost in the disaster, that of J. H. Cockerell, who was scalded and died from the effects.

Absconded With the Company's Funds.

GREENPORT, L. I., July 18.—[Special]—Martin B. Waller, the secretary and treasurer of the Long Island Brick Company, and son of ex-Governor Waller, of Connecticut, has disappeared and it is reported that he has absconded with from \$30,000 to \$60,000 of the company's money. President Sage refuses to make any statement regarding the matter beyond the fact that young Waller's disappearance is a most mysterious affair.

It is said an expert has been engaged to examine the accounts of the company. The alleged speculations of young Waller, it is asserted, will not affect the standing of the company, as all the stockholders in the concern are very wealthy and can easily make up the deficiency. Ex-Governor Waller is a large stockholder in the company, and is said to be grief-stricken over the affair. No cause has yet been assigned for young Waller's conduct, but it is whispered there is a woman in the case.

Watterson Heard From Again.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., July 18.—[Special]—Henry Watterson has another editorial in the Courier-Journal this morning bearing on Governor Hill. The article is called forth by the statement that he accused Hill of doubtful dealings in the campaign of 1888. He denies that he made such a charge, and acquits him of the offense, but reiterates his belief that Hill is impossible as the Democratic nominee in 1892.

Killed by a Blast.

WHITE HAVEN, Pa., July 18.—[Special]—At Pond Creek, a small mining village near here, this morning, John Grogan, a miner, while in the act of blasting a rock was caught by a fall of coal and killed instantly. About the same time another miner, while firing off a blast in the same mine, failed to reach a safe distance and was fatally burned.

The Weather.

Forecast for Virginia, fair except showers on the coast, stationary temperature, except slightly cooler at Lynchburg, winds becoming northwest. Fair Monday.

The bicycle races at Detroit, Mich., were postponed yesterday on account of rain.